

# FRENCH RETAKE FOUR VILLAGES IN THE FACE OF MOST STUBBORN OPPOSITION; BRITISH ALSO GAIN

**Monchel Was Added To-day to the List of Places Wrested From the Enemy and North of Montdidier the Allies Held Up German Thrust**

## GERMAN LOSSES CONTINUE TO BE EXCEEDINGLY HEAVY

**British Regained Some Territory in Counter Attack North of the Somme But They Were Forced to Give Ground South of That River**

Paris, March 29.—Violent fighting continued last night in the region of Montdidier, the war office announced to-day. Despite German counter-attacks, the French held the villages which they took yesterday. Monchel was taken by the French. North of Montdidier, the French and the British troops held up the German thrust. The German losses were extremely heavy.

The great battle is now raging over a front of more than 70 miles. This extension of the line has increased the number of German reserves engaged. There is increased confidence here. The general feeling is that for Germany the battle is virtually lost, but for the allies the battle is about to begin. The weather changed to-day. If the conditions at the front are the same as in Paris, the wind has shifted to the southwest, which would make it difficult for them to bring up artillery.

Three villages were captured by the French yesterday, they being Courtemanche, Mesnil-St. Georges and Assainvillers. Their capture was told in the official communication last night, which was as follows:

"Continuing to attack with strong forces in the region of Montdidier during the whole morning the enemy enlarged his gains west and south of this town, but with magnificent courage our troops counter-attacked with the bayonet and drove the Germans out of the villages of Courtemanche, Mesnil-St. Georges and Assainvillers. On the left bank of the Oise savage attacks by the enemy have given him no advantage, our troops holding their positions energetically."

### ALLIES' RETREAT AT END, SAYS MAJ. GEN. BELL

The Movement Was According to Pre-arranged Plans—Allies Knew of the Germans' Plan as Soon as It Started.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—The British withdrawal before the Germans was made according to pre-arranged plans and is all over now, according to the statements of Major General J. Franklin Bell to-day before the Senate military committee. He said the allies knew of the German preparations for the drive soon after they began and prepared to face it. He recently returned from the battle front.

### PERSHING OFFERED FOCH ALL RESOURCES OF THE U. S. ARMY

American General Called on the Commander of Allies' Army of Maneuver and Said He Was Ready for the Big Battle.

Paris, March 29.—General Pershing called on General Foch at headquarters yesterday, according to Paris newspapers, and placed at his disposal the whole resources of the American army for employment in the battle now in progress.

### DENY ODESSA RETAKEN.

Vienna Official Dispatch Says Austro-Germans Still Occupy It.

Amsterdam, March 29.—Denial that the Bolsheviks have retaken Odessa is made officially in Vienna. It is said that the city is still occupied by Austro-Germans.

### EXPECTS COMMISSION SOON.

Dr. James L. Miner, Son of St. Johnsbury People, in Medical Corps.

St. Johnsbury, March 29.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Miner have received word from their son, Dr. James L. Miner of Beggs, Okla., that he has enlisted in the medical unit in the United States army and will get his commission in 30 days.

Services for Miss Lillian Carr, aged 13, daughter of Mrs. Rose Carr and Fred N. Carr, who passed away at the state hospital in Waterbury Tuesday after a long illness, were held at the home of her mother, 32 Merchant street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. J. M. Beattie, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, officiating. Interment was made in the family lot at Elmwood cemetery.

### MEN SELECTED FOR SHIP SERVICE

Twenty-Four Men from Washington County Placed in That Branch of the Government.

The war department has notified the Washington county board of exemption that the following men have been assigned to the emergency fleet corporation service, thus removing them from the draft list as far as calling them into service is concerned and placing them in the branch of the service where the government believes the best returns can be obtained: Carl Johannes Anderson, Charles Noe Catto, John Thomas Roach, George Davidson, Michael James Roach, Percy Götter, Nunsio Albis, William James Counter, Eugene Vannelli, Harry Davison, Frederick A. R. Manson, Charles N. Sampson, Carl James Nelson, William Henry Walsh, Joseph Portland, Arthur Sam Huse, Christian Olsen, Domenico DiBona, Vernon Lee Chicksbank, Alexander Edward, Louis Tony Calderara, Amodeo Somprenon, Milzida Ciampi, Emil Haajenen.

### WILSON INTERVENES TO SAVE MOONEY

President Sends Message to Governor Stephens of California, Asking for Clemency.

Sacramento, Cal., March 29.—It became known to-day that President Wilson has telegraphed Governor Stephens asking executive clemency for Thomas J. Mooney, under death sentence for connection with the bomb explosion in the preparation of a parade in July, 1916, causing the death of 10 persons.

### TWO VERMONT CORPORATIONS.

Creamery at South Troy and Baptist Church at Poulney.

The Missisquoi Valley Creamery, Inc. of South Troy has filed articles of incorporation in the secretary of state's office for the purpose of operating a creamery. The capital stock is \$10,000. The papers are signed by M. L. Porter, Fred Valley, George Willey and some 40 other farmers in South Troy and adjacent territory.

The Baptist church of Poulney, Inc. has filed articles in the same office for the purpose of conducting a place of worship in that town. The papers are signed by E. M. Biaby, Albert Kilborn, L. R. Runkle and some 12 other persons.

### MONTPELIER

Sergeant Myers Tuttle, who has been at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Tex., is home on a three days' leave of absence. With other members of his squadron he has been transferred to an eastern post and probably in a short time will be going to France. Sergeant Tuttle was employed until last winter in the Corbin and Pine restaurant. After enlistment he was promoted to sergeant and assigned to mess duty. Word has been received here of the promotion of Levi Kelley of Montpelier, who is at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., to the rank of corporal. He is one of the Vermont boys who enlisted in the quartermaster department last summer.

Since Edward Gillis was arrested in Greenfield, Mass., where he was working in a saloon and brought back to the house of correction, State Probation Officer W. H. Jeffrey has been investigating his affairs a little and has found that the man did not register in Windsor county, so he has written the local board in that county that the man is available for military service and he will probably be called shortly. Gillis was committed to the house of correction for non-support of his family, in which there are several children. The state officials will see to it that he insured, that his dependents are taken care of as far as the provisions of the insurance act and military laws will allow.

Miss Helen Deyette, who has been employed in the National Life Insurance office, left Thursday evening for Chicago. The four-inch water main, which supplies families in the region of Court street, broke about 9 o'clock Thursday evening, with the result that the men from the water department were employed all night in repairing the break so that the people Friday morning might be supplied with water.

Miss Grace W. Flower, who made application for first papers in federal court for naturalization Thursday afternoon, is a nurse in Montpelier. She expects to leave in a short time for France. Hosien Moshirian is a native of Persia, but does not discuss the war condition much, excepting to state that he will enter the army in a few weeks. He is a student in Norwich university and well educated.

Albert Baker of Providence, R. I., who took the examination here for entrance into the navy this morning, went to Burlington to complete his examination.

Mrs. J. H. Leach of Montpelier has presented to the navy through the local office a set of binoculars. She expects a carload of clothing which was brought together in Montpelier as a result of the campaign for old clothing made by the Red Cross was shipped from the local station to New York to-day to be shipped from there to Belgium at some future date. The amount of clothing obtained under the campaign is not yet known. Burlington, the largest city in the state, according to last reports, only obtained about 1,000 pounds of clothing, which was considerably below its quota.

In probate court S. C. Wheeler of Waterbury settled his account as administrator de bonis non, of the estate of W. J. Boyce, late of Waterbury, while the will of Lowell Pittsley, late of Barre, was proven, and E. E. Davis is appointed executor.

Misses Marguerite Currier and Rose Tomasi arrived last evening from Northampton, Mass., where they are enrolled in the freshman class of Smith college, to spend the Easter vacation at their respective homes in this city.

### BRITISH WON BACK GROUND

Successful Counter-Attacks Made North of the Somme

BUT WERE DEFEATED SOUTH OF THE RIVER

They Took Some Prisoners, and Germans Had Very Heavy Losses

London, March 29.—On the Somme the British have maintained their position and gained ground in places by successful counter-attacks, the war office announced to-day.

After holding the lines all day in the face of repeated assaults by numerous superior enemy forces, the British retired a short distance from their advance positions at some points. The Germans again suffered exceedingly heavy losses. The British took prisoners.

The counter-attacks were north of the Somme and the retirement south of the river.

British Army Headquarters in France, March 29.—(By Associated Press).—The Germans were able to penetrate Marcel cave, 12 miles east of Amiens, in the region south of the Somme only by means of a heavy massed attack yesterday which gradually forced the British back. It was in the district south of the Somme that the invaders continued to make their greatest efforts. The British here are battling stubbornly and bravely against the advance, which, it must be admitted, has been steady.

### MUST SUPPORT GOVERNMENT.

Judge Howe Made Applicants for Citizenship Buy War Savings Stamps.

A rushing business was done in the sale of war stamps at the Montpelier postoffice for about 30 minutes during Thursday morning. Judge Howe inquired of several of the applicants for naturalization relative to their support of the government in the present war. He suggested that war stamps should be purchased and announced that a recess of 30 minutes would take place. The applicants took this opportunity to bolster up their cause by rushing to the postoffice for war stamps. One farmer in Plainfield obtained his papers but he got a stiff talking to because he had not invested in the Liberty bonds and contributed otherwise to the support of the government. Questioning showed that he could afford to buy bonds and he agreed that he would.

Another applicant from Barre failed to get his papers because he had given nothing to the support of the war causes, bought no bonds and did not contribute to churches. He went away in the morning, but returned in the afternoon with evidence of having bought bonds. However, the judge continued the case that the man might show more loyalty to the government.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

George N. Tilden returned last night from a business trip to Newport.

Milton Sills and Peggy Hyland in "The Other Woman," a Pathe feature, Bijou to-day.

Miss Glynora Gould of Perry street has returned from a stay of a few days in Lancaster, N. H.

Aldo Poletti of George street was taken to the City hospital yesterday for an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Frances Burke, who is attending the Skidmore School of Arts in Saratoga, N. Y., arrived in the city to-day to pass the Easter vacation at her home on Maple avenue.

A telegram has been received by Mr. Harland H. Maxfield from Mr. Maxfield, stating that he has left Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., and has been transferred to Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C.

On Saturday afternoon, March 30, at 3:30 o'clock and on Monday evening, April 1, at 8 o'clock, recitals will be given at Goddard seminary by students of the music department. The public is invited.

Montpelier curlers and bowlers won from the Murphy & Weaver pastimes last evening at Montpelier in the fifth of a series of fortnightly meetings, Montpelier capturing the bowling honors, three out of four of the pocket billiards and breaking even in billiards.

F. M. Kempton of South Main street has returned to the city, after passing several days in Newton Highlands, Mass., where he has been visiting his father and brother. Mr. Kempton was called to Newton Highlands by the illness of his brother, who is recovering, after having been stricken while in military training camp.

Private Richard Hoar, who has been spending a furlough of a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoar of East street, returned this forenoon to Waterbury, S. C., where he is stationed with the 5th Pioneer infantry. He was accompanied by Private Melburne Lewis, also a member of the 5th Pioneer infantry, who has been spending the past few days at his home in South Barre.

Mrs. Julia Richardson of Jefferson street has received word of the death of her brother, Albert Cummings, a long-time resident of Berlin, who passed away at his home in Waterbury early yesterday morning. Mrs. Richardson is his only sister, and the only other near relative surviving in his son, Alvin Cummings of Waterbury. The deceased was a farmer in Berlin for many years and was well known in Barre. Funeral services are to be held in Waterbury Sunday forenoon and the body will be taken to Berlin corner for interment.

### CHOCK-FULL OF CONFIDENCE

American Troops in France Believe the Allies Will Win

THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO GET INTO FIGHT

Optimism Is Expressed by All Ranks of the Army

With the American Army in France, Thursday, March 28 (By Associated Press).—All the American troops are anxious to get into the big battle in northern France. All ranks are confident that allied arms eventually will be victorious.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM IN GERMAN ADVANCES

Major General March Issued Statement Last Night, with Purpose to Reassure the American People.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—In a statement last night Major General March, acting chief of staff, assured the American people that there is no cause for alarm in the advances made by the Germans in the great battle now raging in Picardy and he expressed complete confidence in the triumph of allied arms. General March was still without word from Pershing concerning American troops participating in the battle. The reports yesterday entirely with the positions of the opposing forces Wednesday, as described in the British and French official statements.

### GASSED NEW ENGLAND BOYS IN A HOSPITAL WILL ALL RECOVER

They Were in Paris To-day on Way to Large Base Hospital—The American Wounded in Paris Hospitals Being Moved to Make Room for British.

Paris, March 29.—Twenty-seven Americans suffering from gas poisoning have reached Paris on the way to a large base hospital behind the front. All of them are New Englanders and all will recover. American soldiers along Chemin des Dames are being removed from the Red Cross hospitals in Paris to make room for British soldiers who are injured too seriously to be moved a great distance.

### HILDRETH MARTIN LEADS S. H. S. 1918

His Average for Course Was 94—Alice C. Downing Is Second with 92.5, and Mary Shorey Third with 91.2—Prize Speakers Announced.

Announcement of commencement honors at Spaulding high school was made at noon to-day by Principal H. H. Jackson, the first honor in the senior class being won by Hildreth F. Martin, whose average for the course was 94 per cent. The second honor was taken by Alice C. Downing with an average of 92.5 and the third by Mary Shorey with 91.2. The commencement exercises will be held during the week of June 16 and there will be approximately 90 students to graduate.

Other members of the senior class who have an average of 90 per cent for the course are Marion E. Tilden, Vivian K. Marston, Kathleen E. O'Leary and Freda H. Ladd.

The program for class day exercises which are to be held during the afternoon of June 20 is as follows: Address of welcome, Laurence C. Campbell; class history, Mildred P. McGue; music; class will, Deane C. Davis; essay, Mary Shorey; class prophecy, Vivian Marston; music; class ode, Freda H. Ladd; presentation to school, Albert T. Lyon; address to graduating class, Marion E. Tilden; music.

The prize speaking contest will be held on the evening of June 18 and the speakers, chosen from the three under classes, are as follows: Kathryn C. Brown, Evelyn C. Bruya, Doris G. Burke, Mildred L. Lander, Orestia E. Gianni, Frank H. Wells, Aldo Poletti and Gordon C. Reardon.

### VERDICT LESS THAN TENDER.

J. J. Williams Given \$121.35 in County Court.

The jury in the case of J. J. Williams vs. E. E. Davis and others returned late yesterday in Washington county court late yesterday afternoon in favor of the plaintiff to recover \$121.35. Before the trial commenced in the morning the defendant made a tender of \$125, which was filed with the clerk of the court.

Clerk Moody, acting under instructions from the presiding judge, sent out notices this afternoon to the attorneys interested that beginning Tuesday morning, April 2, the following eight cases would be taken up in the order given and would be disposed of: Bonazzi vs. Fortney, Stackpole vs. Cook, Simpson vs. Cortner, Vermont railroad, Cobb, Hersey & Co. vs. Villa, Severy vs. Penantoni, Dobbs vs. Montpelier & Wells River railroad, Albin vs. Cutting, Utley vs. Phelps.

### WANTS BOND REDUCED.

A hearing took place this afternoon in court of chancery in the case brought by the American Fidelity company against the state of Vermont through its treasurer, for refunding of the bond which the company deposited with the state. The plaintiff sets forth that it deposited with the state \$310,000 and that since that time that part of its liabilities have been reduced in Vermont so that it is entitled to a reduction on its bond and that as much of its business is now outside the state as large a bond is not needed. H. G. Barber represented the state, while H. W. Kemp represented the fidelity company. The hearing was before Judge F. L. Fish.

### GODDARDITES ON THE STAGE.

Gave Good Minstrel Show Before a Large Crowd.

Minstrelsy given last evening at the Goddard hall by the students of the school received a rousing reception from students and downtown people to such an extent that a large sum was realized for the athletic treasury, a part of which is to be donated to the baseball fund. Long before the curtain arose, nearly all the available seats had been taken. The show was divided into two parts, one being given by the boys of the school, while the other was given by the girls.

It took but a few minutes after the curtain had risen for the first part, to find out that the seminary has a large number of singers of true mettle and promising qualities. Mr. Wallace, arrayed in costume as Uncle Sam, acted as interlocutor to the first part of the show and throughout the evening he proved to be an apt target for handling the local hits directed by the endmen to the students of the school, while the endmen capably carried out their part in giving a smooth and pleasing entertainment.

The program for the first part of the show was as follows: Overture by the chorus; "Southern Gals," Mr. Tryon; "Little Buttercups," Mr. Kopf; "The Dark Town Strut," Mr. Soule; "I'm All Bound Round with the Mason," Mr. All Bound Round with the Mason; "On the Road to Home, Sweet Home," Mr. Jacobs; "When Yankee Doodle Learns to Parlez Vous Français," Mr. Carney; "Round Her Neck She Wears a Yellow Ribbon," Mr. Sault; "Diddle Ditties," Mr. Bazar; "Did You Hear It? They'd Let Me Join the Army," Mr. Kelley; "Listen to the Knocking at the Knitting Club," Mr. LaCasse; the final number was "I Pledge Allegiance to My Flag," by the entire chorus.

"A Parisian Cafe" made an excellent setting for the second part of the program, which was given by the girls of the school, while throughout this part of the program the audience was treated to a delightful presentation of dancing and solos. Miss Senath Soule capably handled the role as interlocutor, and her bantering with the "endmen" caused no end of merriment throughout the evening.

The program for this part of the show was as follows: "Bluebird," Miss Jameson; "When It's Cotton Pickin' Time in Tennessee," Miss Stanton; "Strike Up the Band, Here Comes a Sailor," Miss Will; "Way Down There," Miss Carroll; "You Never Can Be Too Sure About the Girls," Miss Soule, Carroll, Vainio and Graves; "Rockabye, Land," Miss Sargent; "Goodbye, Mule," Miss Cain; "My Sweetheart Is Somewhere in France," Miss Worcester; "Since Mother Goes to the Movie Shows," Miss Hollister; "Keep the Home Fires Burning," Miss Jameson.

### TAKING CARE OF DEBT.

Barre City Fathers to Authorize Temporary Note Issue.

Thwarted in its efforts to obtain authorization for a note or bond issue to refund money expended from water department earnings, the city council met in a special session yesterday afternoon to consider ways and means for meeting the note issue due next Tuesday. When the voters in special city meeting Wednesday night refused to sanction the plan suggested by the council in the morning, they imposed on the city fathers the task of providing for notes that were dated April 2 on the assumption, evidently, that no difficulty would be encountered in obtaining authority to bond before the notes became due.

Members of the council spoke plainly their impressions of the city meeting, and then a resolution authorizing another temporary note issue to be dated Aug. 1 was introduced and passed to a second reading. The resolution in all probability will be adopted at the regular council meeting Monday night, or in time to take care of the notes that are due on the following day. Moreover, there is a strong likelihood that sometime before Aug. 1 the city fathers will be summoned into a special city meeting again.

### SCALES-DOW.

Marriage Took Place at Bride's Home in East Barre.

A very pretty wedding took place last evening at the home of Mrs. C. Della Dow of East Barre, when her daughter, Miss Iris Dow, became the bride of Fred C. Scales of Windsor. The ceremony took place at 8 o'clock. The bride was escorted by Rev. B. J. Leigh of Barre officiating. The single ring service was used. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Ethel Eastman of East Barre as bridesmaid and Jesse Dow, a brother of the bride, as groomsmen.

After the ceremony, light refreshments were served and the bride and groom left on the midnight train for a wedding trip, after which they will go to Windsor to reside, the groom being employed there as a machinist.

Mrs. Scales has been for some time a waitress at the Eureka restaurant and her circle of friends is large.

### ALBANO-CAPRA.

Marriage of Barre People Followed by a Reception.

Miss Teresa L. Capra and John Albano were united in marriage by Justice of the Peace James Mackay yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The bride wore gray georgette and pink mesaline and her attendant wore gray chiffon over pink mesaline. Both carried pink roses and white carnations. At 8 o'clock in the evening, the bridal party entertained their friends at a reception held in the Knights of Columbus hall, music being furnished by Carroll's orchestra. Mr. and Mrs. Albano were the recipients of many beautiful gifts. The bride has been an employee of Goodlow jewelry store for several years. Mr. Albano is a stonecutter by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Albano left on the noon train for a honeymoon trip to various points in New Jersey. They will be at their home, 4 Oswald street, about April 10.

### ST. JOHNSBURY HONORS.

Were Announced by Principal Davis of the Academy.

St. Johnsbury, March 29.—Principal Davis has announced the commencement parts at St. Johnsbury academy and in giving out the honors said that in his ten years of teaching he had never had a group of students that had a higher average in marks in a four-year course. The valedictorian is Miss Marjorie Crampton; salutatorian, Miss Katherine Boynton, while Storry E. Waterman and Richard Ladd receive high honors. Ladd is a resident of Waterford and the others live in St. Johnsbury.

### ONE GIRL DEAD; SECOND DYING

Swanton Munition Factory Burned After an Explosion

OFFICIALS BELIEVE IT AN ACCIDENT

The Flames Spread with Remarkable Rapidity

St. Albans, March 29.—Miss Dora Savage, aged 21, who was injured in an explosion at the plant of the International Explosives company at Swanton late yesterday, died at the hospital here last night. Miss Nellie Hemingway is in a critical condition. The others who were hurt are expected to recover. The company's officials started an investigation to-day. The loss on the building was \$8,000 and on the contents several thousand more. It is probable that the plant will not be rebuilt.

The accident occurred about 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The cause is unknown, but there seems to be no suspicion in the minds of the company officials that the trouble was not accidental. The explosion occurred on a table where girls were inspecting primers. There was little damage to the building from the first explosion, but the flames quickly spread and there was a series of heavy explosions until the building was wrecked. The flames communicating to fulminate of mercury, which is highly explosive, caused an exceedingly rapid spread of the fire. All the fulminate except what is in use for work actually under way in the factory was kept under water and dried as needed. That was saved. There was probably about eleven pounds in use in various parts of the building and it was impossible for anyone to reach it.

The building was a low wooden structure, about 60-150 feet in dimension, and there was one other small shack. Both were destroyed.

Nellie Hemingway, 19 years old, was injured about the face, arms and legs. Her eyes were blinded by flying primers. She was taken to the home of Peter Morau across the street and later was brought to the hospital by train to this city.

Mrs. Moses Sawyer was severely burned, especially on the arms. She was taken to her own home, which is near the factory. She will recover. Some of the other employees sustained minor scratches or bruises, but nothing of a serious nature.

Drs. C. E. Allen, A. L. Cross, H. L. Pierce and E. R. Pape were summoned to attend the three injured.

About forty hands are employed in the factory in day and night shifts of twenty each. Only about twelve or fifteen were working yesterday.

The plant is located in the west part of the village a short distance beyond the iron bridge over the Missisquoi river. It is not isolated from other buildings as is the larger plant of the Remington Arms Union Metallic company. Planking runs from the bridge directly up to the factory. This planking was charred for a distance of 10 or fifteen feet from the factory, but the bridge was not endangered.

The company was organized in 1915 with E. R. Pape as manager. It is engaged in the manufacture of primers and detonators.

The village was shaken and glass was broken from windows in several places.

### TO INSTRUCT BAKERS.

On Flour Substitutes in Bread—Meeting Will Be Held in Burlington.

A conference occurred at Montpelier Thursday to hear between George C. West of Hartford and state food administrator, John T. Cushing, relative to the food conditions in the state. Their discussion was mostly relative to bakeries, and it was decided that a meeting of the bakers of the state shall be held at the New Sherwood in Burlington April 14, which will decide upon bakery matters and will be of great importance to those engaged in food manufacture as well as the public in general.

It is planned to organize the state bakers so that they will assist in every way in carrying out the provisions of the food regulations. They will be told about the substitutes and will be furnished information to help supply the public with the information for co-operation. The bakers will be called upon to comply with all regulations, and arrangements will be made for policing, which will probably mean inspections and inspectors.

Mr. Cushing stated on that date the bakers will go from 20 to 25 per cent substitutes and that in a short time the bakers can be assured that they will go to 30 per cent. People must use the rye substitutes in bread and that the public will be called upon to do this beginning March 31. This has been ordered by the bakers up to the present time.

Mr. West attended the national bakers' technical service commission meeting, held in Chicago with the consent of Mr. Hoover, recently and was surprised to see how patriotically the bakers are rising to the occasion in their support of the government in this food conservation.

A baker in Barre, of whom complaint had been made, also conferred with Mr. Cushing while the latter was at Montpelier. A complaint also came that in certain a merchant had cancelled his bread order because the people in that section would not buy the bread which the bakers are now forced to put on the market under the new regulations. The complaint was based upon the statement that the people there wanted white bread.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the friends and schoolmates for the post card shower and money given me while at the City hospital, also the nurses for their kindness.

Master Carroll Lewis.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kind assistance since our son's accident.

Mrs. Walter A. Lewis.